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## City School Arrangements

The city schools will reopen on Monday morning next, Aug. 31st. Owing to the fact that the University of Alberta has been given accommodation in the Second Street west school, the Board have arranged for temporary quarters until the new Collegiate Institute building is completed. Miss Lytle, Miss Myrtle Bell, and Miss Kirtland's classes will assemble in their usual rooms in the Second Street west school. Mr. Bohan's, Miss Sutherland's and Miss Montgomery's will assemble in the three rooms prepared over Douglas Bros. store. Miss Lowe's class will assemble in the north part of the assembly room in the Fourth Street east school. All pupils will meet with their regular classes and promotions will be made sometime during the day. It is also requested that parents intending to send children to school for the first time will see that they are present on the opening day.

### SHOT HIMSELF.

A shooting accident occurred Friday last at Pacific river, 20 miles west, when Gustave Ballanz accidentally shot himself in the breast and was instantly killed. He was out looking for a homestead with his cousin Emil Guss, of Edmonton, and had a gun in his hand. He stopped to lace his shoe and when he picked up the gun it exploded, the charge striking him in the breast. He was 25 years old and unmarried, and came from Stillwater, Minn., four months ago. He leaves a mother, four or five sisters, and three brothers at Stillwater. The body was brought to Edmonton and buried. An inquest was unnecessary.

## FAILED FOR A MILLION

New York, Aug. 26.—The failure of the big brokerage firm of A. O. Brown & Co. for a sum previously estimated as running well above \$1,000,000 sent a nervous thrill through the stock market today.

Coming as a climax to the bewildering trading in last Saturday's market, the suspension created an extraordinary degree of public interest, but was looked upon by high exchange interests as offering an early solution of the tangled problem of the most remarkable two hours' session the New York stock exchange has known for years.

While there was no question in Wall street this afternoon that the situation created by to-day's failure could be easily taken care of, there was a distinctly feeling of apprehension lest other firms might unwittingly be drawn into the affair as a result of the extensive orders scattered through out commission houses during Saturday's speculative proceedings.

The transactions of A. O. Brown & Co. covered nearly seventy-five per cent. of the trading in the sensational week-end session of the stock market, and it was stated officially by a member of the firm to-day that deliveries had been made on only 25,000 of the more than 70,000 shares handled. How many of the outstanding shares represent the dealings of customers and how many were carried on the firm's accounts, it was impossible to learn.

## Stanley Cup Challenge

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—The Stanley cup trustees, Messrs. P. R. Ross and William Foran, have two cup challenges at hand. One from the Edmonton hockey club has been accepted and Wanderers of Montreal, the holders, will be asked to defend the trophy on dates which, of course, will be mutually agreed upon by the two clubs, but which will be at a time, says Mr. Foran, that will in no way interfere with the hockey season in the east.

The other challenge is from Beaufort, and as far as accepting it goes, the trustees have not yet given it any consideration, merely placing it on file. Mr. Foran, however, states this challenge will be taken up shortly by the trustees.

Many of the teams that will be directly interested in Stanley cup series, will have their troubles when confronting the trustees with men drafted purposely for strengthening. Hantley Shore has an offer to play with Edmonton. When asked with regard to Shore's eligibility, Mr. Foran said:

"No. Shore cannot compete in the cup series with Edmonton. The trustees laid down the rule at the close of last season, that drafting and transferring would not be permitted for Stanley cup games and cup series the previous year. In spite with a challenging team, would be one who had not taken part in the cup series players eligible to compete, another season would have to intervene to make the players eligible."

### COMPLIMENTARY.

London, Aug. 16.—The Standard says this mild, but mischievous dog, Kiki Harte, is endeavoring to create a class war in Canada. While not suggesting he be deported, the Standard regards it as unfortunate he has friends who have permitted him to look on the working classes as their peculiar preserve.

## REVIVAL OF TRADE

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—During the past fortnight the Canadian imports have taken a jump, which indicates that the tide has turned, and the decline which has persisted for the past ten months has been checked. It is predicted that the Customs revenue will steadily swell again. The falling in the imports and consequently in the revenue, was very great, and was due to two factors. The imports of two years ago were phenomenal, showing that the merchants had stocked up as never before. Then came the business decline throughout the country and the merchants were unable to dispose of their big stocks.

It is well known that the business conditions in Canada became easier some time ago, but the customs stock was being disposed of. Apparently, this has been done in a large measure, for orders for more goods have been placed abroad, and the goods are now passing the customs. While the imports of this year will not be up to those of two years ago, still the total will be by no means as low as the first four months indicated.

## Premier On Book Contract

Cardston, Aug. 26.—At a meeting addressed in the Assembly hall by W. C. Simmons, M.P.P., candidate, and Premier Rutherford, the latter dealt extensively with financial affairs in the province, pointing out the educational public buildings, road, and bridge requirements and expenditures in the new country.

He defended the school book contract as cheap, with high-grade material, and said they would be made in Canada, as soon as means were provided by the trade. He said the books were union made.

### NOT ENOUGH.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 26.—The Standard Oil Company has offered the Union Natural Gas Company six million cash, for its properties. The offer was declined, the company asking \$10,000,000. The property is in West Virginia. It is understood the Standard Oil wants to commence at capturing gas to Washington and Baltimore.

## CABINET MEETING

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—Ontario and Quebec cabinet ministers alone were present at cabinet ministers' meeting held yesterday, the consequence being that routine matters only were dealt with. There was no meeting in the afternoon as was expected, but a majority of the ministers will get together on Wednesday to discuss the situation. The agenda will include the Hon. Sydney Fisher and Hon. William Patterson, who will leave for the Eastern townships to address a series of political meetings. There was quite a flurry of politicians around the Capital to-day, those here including George Taylor, Conservative whip, Fred Pardee and Charles March, deputy speaker.

## DROWNED AT FRANK

Frank, Alta., Aug. 26.—Ruthen Steeves, proprietor of the Imperial hotel in this town, is reported to have been drowned in a lake near Staveley while out duck shooting. His A. V. Lang, T.M. Bonatti, and P.B. Martin, let him here last Sunday night for Staveley on a hunting trip, and it appears that Mr. Steeves left camp last evening after supper, alone in a boat, and as he did not return as soon as the party expected a search was made and the empty boat was discovered, containing the missing man's hat, and an oar was seen floating in the water. No further particulars have been obtained up to this hour, and although there is still some slight hope for his safety, it is almost hopeless against hope. A large party of men set out to catch the intention of dragging the lake, but have so far been unable to do so, owing to the high wind. The meagre nature of the news received here so far is causing great anxiety, and further particulars are anxiously awaited.

## Whaling Concession

Victoria, Aug. 26.—Victoria capitalists, encouraged by the success of whaling operations on the west coast of Vancouver Island, are going to engage in the same industry in the northern waters of British Columbia. The Dominion government has given them an exclusive license for nine years for the region between Queen Charlotte islands and the mainland and extending one hundred miles south from Big Dundas Island.

A station will be established this winter at Stanley harbor on that island and operations will be started in the early spring. The initial expenditure on a plant for manufacturing fertilizers and various grades of oil will be \$100,000.

The enterprise will be known as the Prince Rupert Whaling Co., with a capital of \$60,000, said Captain C. J. Kelley, of Victoria, the general manager, who is in town to-day. "We are negotiating for a suitable steamer in Norway, and only the skilled labor in all departments will be employed. Stanley harbor, where the station will be located, has a safe and easy approach to the whaling grounds, and is advantageously situated, being located only twenty five miles northwesterly from Prince Rupert. The harbor is well sheltered and has deep water anchorage."

It is well known that the waters in that region fairly teem with many varieties of whales and Quebec schools are always seen from passing steamers. At times the schools are so numerous as to seriously interfere with fishing operations. We also intend to catch dog fish, from which a valuable oil and fertilizer can be produced. The market is almost unlimited. Our license is also renewable for a term of twenty years."

Capt. Kelley is an old deep-water sailor. His association in the enterprise include: Dr. Ernest A. Hall, Moore, Percy A. Raymond and F. A. Pauline, all of Victoria.

## QUEBEC BRIDGE

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—The board of engineers appointed by the government to prepare new plans for the Quebec bridge will meet for the first time on Monday next. Mr. Fitzmaurice, the British representative on the board, will reach Montreal from England on Friday or Saturday. Mr. McDougall has been summoned from Chicago, and Mr. Vansteet from Montreal. The first important question to be settled is whether the old structure. An effort will then be made to prepare a design for a bridge, which will be safe, economical and which can be accommodated by the existing substructure. It is desired to use this if possible, as it has been thoroughly tested and represents an expenditure of nearly \$200,000. The present opinion of the department of railways is that the present piers can be used.

## Hardships At Fernie

Fernie, Aug. 26.—The weather since yesterday has been cold and wet, rain and hail having fallen at intervals during the night. It has been raining heavily all day and light snow has fallen on the mountain and over the foot hills.

People who are living in tents are beginning to realize more than ever the hardships which they will encounter before the winter is over. Still one wears a smile and is trying to make the best of it.

The new Nipucan hotel has opened and is crowded to overflowing. It has about twenty rooms and is about the only place in town where shelter can be had for transients.

### DIED IN PENITENTIARY.

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 26.—John E. Anderson, who was sent to the penitentiary for seven years for bigamy, having married a Renfrew lady while he had a wife and family living in Toronto, died in the penitentiary this afternoon. He had been in the hospital much of the three months of his incarceration, suffering from bad throat. He was 53 years of age. At the time of his arrest he was acting inspector of public schools at Brockville.

## THEATRICAL

### THE MERCHANT OF VENICE.

Harold Nelson and his company presented "The Merchant of Venice" at the opera house last night to a very small but well rewarded audience. The play was produced in excellent style, with special scenery, etc. Mr. Nelson scored a big success as Shylock the Jew. Tomorrow night Mr. Nelson will return once more. This time to give George Bernard Shaw's "Candida." This will be the sixth performance of this much discussed play in Canada. It scored a hit in Edmonton last week and was repeated there on request.

### FAUST.

The Calgary Daily News of Yesterday says: "Faust attracted a fairly good audience at the Lyric last night, but not nearly as large as the play merited. The play is not new but there are scores in Calgary who never saw it presented, and especially the clever way in which Miss Olga Verne and her associates put it on. Every part was well taken and the singing was superb. The scenic effects were the finest seen here for some time, and anyone wishing to see something worth seeing should go to the Lyric tonight. Faust has a fascination about it peculiarly attractive and when presented by Miss Verne's company is doubly impressive. Faust is worth going to see. It will be put on to-night."

There were some exceptionally good bags of ducks made this week. The best was made of 30 far was 217 made by three guns on Monday and Tuesday, about thirty miles out. The party returned to the city yesterday with a wagon load of the spoil.

## Oklahoma Disaster

McAllister, Okla., Aug. 26.—One of the most disastrous accidents known to the coal fields here occurred to-day at the Bailey, Okla., mine at Hattiesville, 19 miles east of this city. A barrel of oil was set on fire while a man was dividing it at the bottom of the shaft. Immediately the whole mine burst into a sheet of flame. Thirty, 40, thirty, 60, miners who had descended are fighting for their lives with no means of escape. Smoke and flame which rolled out at the mouth of the shaft at the top of the mine created a panic. In a few minutes hundreds of women and children crowded about the opening, weeping and praying over the fate of the men below. The mine is a large one employing 325 men, but only a few had gone down this morning, when the accident occurred. Those who had not gone down rushed to the rescue and made every effort to rescue their imprisoned fellow workers but the flames burnt so fiercely that it was impossible to seal down the cage. They could only await at the top, powerless to help their comrades below who were being roasted to death. The scene that followed among men, women and children beggars description. This afternoon an effort was made by 200 miners to enter the mine through an air shaft, but they were driven back by the flames. The distance is half a mile from the nearest entrance to where the miners are entombed. It is hardly possible for a single man to escape alive.

### WHITNEY ON IMMIGRATION.

London, Aug. 26.—Sir J. P. Whitney interviewed by the Morning Post, declares that unemployment in Canada is due to city workers emigrating. No complaint is made respecting the S.A. emigrants. He wanted farm laborers now with sufficient money to acquire improved farms in the western provinces and men to settle in the great wheat belt.

## GALICIAN SQUATTERS

Douglas, Man., Aug. 26.—The difficulty of ridding the Riding Mountain forest reserve of Galician squatters has at last been brought about in a peaceful and satisfactory manner by the government. On Friday a conference was held between Robertson and McLeod, forest rangers and the squatters who numbered ten, with the result that they agreed to move off the land on the conditions offered by the government, viz., that each should be given a free entry for another quarter, improvements made on squatted land to be paid for and they receive free transportation for themselves and families, together with household goods and stock to the point that they may choose to settle. The Galicians expressed themselves as being well pleased with the terms offered.

The settlement ends one of the most difficult problems the forestry department has had to deal with in clearing the squatters, as many of the Galicians refused to move at one time despite the favorable terms offered them, and evicted seemed to be the only way to free the reserve. On later consideration however, they altered this decision and have taken advantage of the government's liberal offer.

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**CURRENT COMMENT**

The member for Strathcona, Dr. Willert McIntyre, M.P., has been speaking in the Toldad part of his constituency during the past few days, and according to the Toldad Standard, has been addressing "a huge gathering of electors at Toldad." The moderation of this remark must strike every one as a "huge" joke. But it really is not so amusing as many of the other statements contained in the Standard.

Take for instance the editorial in the last issue. This contains what is supposed to be a declaration of independence but is really a most bigoted plea for the Liberal party. We wonder who wrote it. Surely not Mr. John Howe, of the coal lands and the Bulletin? Somehow we could swear that the style and the diction is his. The one thing we do know, that is that it is not the work of our old friend the proprietor and editor. We know his style and he never developed the sermon twist that this precious "our policy" contains. We do not suppose that any of the intelligent electors of Toldad will be flummoxed by this declaration of independence. If they would desire conclusive proof that the Toldad Standard does not express an independent opinion, let them glance at page four. There they will find advertised "Synopsis Canadian National Homeless Regulations." This is given in full to a little bound sheet paper. It is Mr. Oliver's pet method of carrying on that notorious practice which Sir Richard Cartwright called "Poisoning the Wells." There are other possible reasons why the Standard party found. It is stated to be one of the many papers throughout the province controlled by the provincial Attorney-General, and the reader will note in the "our policy" outlined a delicate compliment to Mr. Cross for his Compensation Act. The Toldad Standard should at least be honest with its readers and declare that it is a weekly partisan paper, bound body and soul to the Grit party and repeating the Bulletin's anti-Borden talkback word for word and line for line down to the very same headings.

The editorial "our policy" is not, however, the only amusing feature of the Standard. In its report of Dr. McIntyre's speech it reports the doctor as saying "that he would not be allied with any government that would be known as Dr. Sheop's Restorative be corrupt in its administration, that the closest search into the scandals showed not the slightest truth. Nothing had been proven. Going into the timber and other scandals the facts were quoted from Hamard." Be careful, Doctor. You know that the whole administration of western resources is foul with irregularity, graft and corruption. You know that you yourself have been one of the warmest supporters of the concealment policy adopted by Mr. Oliver. You know that you have applauded and approved the grasping of the timber limits of the west by the Burrows-Sifton-Fraser gang. We know that you dare not speak that you are under the domination of the Minister of the Interior. But don't forget, don't be hypocritical, when you go before your constituency and "assume a virtue though you have it not." Your cynical indifference to the public trust when you make your master speech in defense of the timber grabbers was infinitely more honest. The people of the west are learning the truth as to the pilfering of the Western domain and all your sophistries will avail you nothing.

(From Wednesday's Evening Journal)  
 "Prof. W. Muir, Edwards, B. Sc., C. E., of McGill, has been appointed a lecturer at Edmonton university." This appears in this morning's Journal. Surely this is antiquarian run riot. Edmonton has not yet got hold of Strathcona up although in her day dreams she does find time to have a word of advice to Edmonton. "Don't count your chickens before they're hatched."

Local members ask stump orators never fail in telling lies that they were not in Canada in connection with the Saskatchewan Valley Land deal. Premier Scott once stated that he was sorry there was no more scandals of this nature, such high opinions did he entertain of the good office of the company. In the recent campaign the premier was charged with being a stockholder, and for this he issues a writ for libel. He now believes the Saskatchewan valley land company so disreputable that to associate his name with its operations is a libel. The Conservative party need no further proof of the character of this company—the certificate has been given them by Premier Scott—Journal.

August time, tells on the nerves, but that spiritless, no ambition feeling can be easily and quickly altered by what is known by druggists everywhere as Dr. Sheop's Restorative. Within 48 hours' time beginning to use the Restorative, improvement will be noticed. Of course full health will not immediately result. The gain however, will surely follow. And best of all, you will realize and feel your strength and ambition as it is returning. Outside influences depress first the inside nerves then the stomach, heart and kidneys will usually fail. Strengthen these failing nerves with Dr. Sheop's Restorative and you will quickly health will be yours again. Sold

**Mr. Amos' Meetings**

The revised list of Mr. Amos' appointments in Alberta, in which he will be accompanied by Mr. McCarthy, is as follows:  
 Vegreville—August 27.  
 Lloydminster—August 28th.

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Now, take notice, that I shall sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder for cash the above described animals, in the rear of Condon & Co.'s Larn in the town of Strathcona, on Wednesday, August 28th, 1908, at 11 a.m. in forenoon, unless the cost of impounding, keep and other incidental expenses are sooner paid.  
 Dated at Strathcona this 3rd day of August, 1908.

**HENRY WAPSHOTT,**  
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As Enunciated at Halifax and Other Places by  
Mr. R. L. Borden, Leader of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition in the House of Commons.

- 1 Honest appropriation and expenditure of public moneys on the public interest.
- 2 Appointment of public officials upon consideration of capacity and personal character and not of party service alone.
- 3 More effective provisions to punish bribery and fraud at elections, to ensure thorough publicity as to expenditures by political organizations, to prevent the accumulation of campaign funds for corrupt purposes and to prohibit contributions thereto by corporations, contractors and promoters, to expedite hearing of election petitions and to prevent collusive arrangements the withdrawal or compromise thereof, to provide for a thorough investigation to corrupt practices and if necessary to appoint an independent prosecuting officer to enforce the laws so amended.
- 4 A thorough and complete reformation of the laws relating to the Civil Service so that future appointments shall be made by an independent commission acting upon the report of examiners after competitive examination.
- 5 Such reform in the selecting of members of the Senate as will make that chamber a more useful and representative body.
- 6 A more careful selection of the sources from which immigration shall be sought, a more rigid inspection of immigrants and the abolition of the bounty system except under very special circumstances and for the purpose of obtaining particularly desirable classes of immigrants.
- 7 The management and development of the public domain (in which are to be included great national franchises) for the public benefit and under such conditions that a respectable proportion of the increment of value arising therefrom shall inure to the people.
- 8 The operation and management of our government railways by an independent commission free from partisan control or interference.
- 9 Development and improvement of our national waterways the equipment of national ports, the improvement of transportation facilities and subsequent reduction of freight rates between the place of production and market, whether at home or abroad and the establishment of a thorough system of cold storage.
- 10 The re-organization of the present railway commission as a public utilities commission with wider power and more extended jurisdiction, so as to establish thorough and effective control over all corporations owning or operating public utilities or invested with franchises of a national character.
- 11 The establishment after due investigation of a system of national telegraphs and telephones under conditions which shall be just to capital already invested in those enterprises.
- 12 The improvement of existing postal facilities, especially in newly developed portions of the country, and inauguration, after proper inquiry as to cost, of a system of free rural mail.
- 13 A fiscal policy which will promote the production within Canada of all useful articles that can be advantageously manufactured from or by means of natural resources, having due regard to the interests of the consumer as well as to the just claims of our wage-earning population.
- 14 The promotion by negotiation and other constitutions means of a system of mutual preferential trade within the Empire.
- 15 The restoration of the public lands to the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan upon fair terms.
- 16 The unimpaired maintenance of all powers of self-government which have been conferred upon the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

## MR. AMES INDICTMENT OF INTERIOR DEPT.

### PART I—THE TIMBER LANDS.

As is well known the prairie for the most part is comparatively treeless. Here and there are small areas of poplar and spruce, but the trees are rarely of sufficient size or quality to furnish building material. The farmer must look elsewhere for the lumber with which he shall build.

Prior to 1900 little was known regarding the great northern forest. Manitoba's demand for lumber was supplied from western Ontario, the Alberta demand from the Rocky Mountains, and there were few settlers between. As the prairie began to fill with population a vast amount of timber was required for railway building and for settlers' homes. A line of railroad had been pushed north to Prince Albert, and it was found that there existed immense areas of the spruce timber in the regions drained by the North Saskatchewan river.

What Should Have Been Done.

Now the government should have explored and valued these areas before parting with them.

This is what you would have done had some relative unexpectedly left you as a bequest a stretch of land of which you had no previous knowledge.

But the government parted with these timber lands before it had any idea as to their value and now they are gone as they were to the people who are none the wiser for their negligence. These limits are 10-day worth from \$1,000 to \$3,000 and in some instances \$5,000 per mile. For the lower are practically perpetual. The men who have secured these leases for a bagatelle have become in consequence multi-millionaires.

How Much Timber Passed into Private Hands.

It is customary for the defence of the present administration when hurried to find an excuse for the present government's action with reference to the timber of the Northwest to declare that under Conservative rule, prior to 1886, a large area was alienated, leaving the latter to infer that these areas passed permanently into the hands of the government of Canada. This was not the case. It is true the Conservatives leased extensive tracts of timber land, but they exacted such conditions of operation from the grantees that no less than 94 p.c. of the area came back to the Crown. Of all the areas granted prior to July, 1896, only 17,000 miles were retained by the grantees, and, when the present Liberal administration came into office, there were but 1,800 sq. miles of timber under lease in the three provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. This did not, however, long continue. There are nearly 6,500 sq. miles under lease at the present time. A careful analysis shows that about 30 p.c. of the area under lease is being actually cut over, that 20 p.c. is being held in reserve by bona-fide lumber companies and that 50 p.c. is in the hands of speculators. The government have leased practically all the good timber south of the watershed; and the reserves of Winnipeg, Prince Albert and Edmonton are in speculative hands.

How The Regulations Were Altered.

The regulations have been changed so as to greatly encourage the speculator. Prior to 1903 the Minister of the Interior was under no obligation to renew a license from year to year, if the land was required for settlement or other purpose, but Mr. Sifton ordered this and by Order-in-Council of April 14, 1903, it was decreed that "so long as the licensee complies with the conditions of his license and of the regulations he shall be entitled to a renewal of his license from year to year, while mercantile timber remains upon the area licensed." This change in the regulations makes the lease practically perpetual, adds greatly to the value of the land and has doubtless stimulated speculation to a marked degree.

### Who Have Profited.

Within the comparatively short period of three and a half years, between 1902 and 1905, more than three thousand square miles of selected timber, that is to say about one-half of the entire area under lease in the western provinces, fell into the hands, not of operators, but of speculators. One-half of this amount, comprising 25 per cent. of the timber of the three provinces, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta was acquired by a group, which may be called the Burrows-Fraser combination, of which the brother-in-law of the then Minister of Interior, Mr. Sifton, was the central figure, under circumstances so peculiar as to have excited general comment.

An analysis of the holdings of this group shows T. A. Burrows as having secured 550 square miles, the Imperial Pulp Company 417 square miles, the Big River Lumber Company 350 square miles, A. W. Fraser, alias John McLean, 150 square miles, A. W. Fraser, for himself, 120 square miles—in all 1,580 square miles of selected timber, only 102 square miles of which are being operated, the remainder held presumably for speculation.

The extent of the holdings of this favored group may be illustrated: Were these selected blocks, nearly 600 in number, out of an area of many times their size, placed out to bid they would form a continuous strip of thick timber, one mile wide, stretching from Montreal to Winnipeg, or, putting it another way, they would be the equivalent of a strip half a mile in width clear across the continent.

Phenomenal Success in Tendering.

In the acquisition of these limits, under the quasi form of competition followed by this government, the members of the "Inner Circle" have been remarkably successful. T. A. Burrows, brother-in-law to the ex-Minister of the Interior, owned in 1901

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